

# **EXHIBIT 201**

1                 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2                 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
3                 EASTERN DIVISION

4                 IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION                 Case No. 1:17-MD-2804  
5                 OPIATE LITIGATION                             MDL NO. 2804  
6   Hon. Dan A. Polster  
7                 APPLIES TO ALL CASES

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9                 HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL - SUBJECT TO FURTHER  
10                CONFIDENTIALITY REVIEW

11                VIDEOTAPED  
12                DEPOSITION OF: RICHARD CHAPMAN  
13                DATE:   December 18, 2018  
14                TIME:   9:37 a.m. to 3:04 p.m.  
15                PLACE:   201 North Franklin Street  
16   Suite 3400  
17   Tampa, Florida

18                PURSUANT TO: Notice by counsel for  
19   Plaintiffs for purposes of  
20   discovery, use at trial  
21   or such other purposes  
22   as are permitted under  
23   the Ohio Rules  
24   of Civil Procedure  
25                BEFORE:   LISA A. SIMONS-CLARK, RMR, CRR  
   Notary Public, State of  
   Florida at Large

1 Q. Do you understand the question?

2 A. I -- I do.

3 Q. Okay. Can you give me an answer?

4 MS. McENROE: Can you ask something a little  
5 bit more specific?

6 MR. PIFKO: Well, I'd like to hear his answer.

7 THE WITNESS: I guess the first thing that I

8 would say is Rite-Aid is a closed system.

9 Rite-Aid shipped only to its own -- our  
10 distribution centers only shipped to Rite-Aid  
11 stores.

12 So as a part of that, in terms of ensuring  
13 there was no diversion, we -- we knew both the  
14 from and the -- you know, the origination and the  
15 destination of every shipment was a Rite-Aid  
16 location; and in terms of the quantity of those  
17 orders, there were a variety of controls.

18 The orders were created not by a human. They  
19 were system created based on actual sales at a  
20 store, actual scripts that were filled and product  
21 that was consumed at a store.

22 So there wasn't a -- there wasn't a capability  
23 of someone just to place an unusually large order  
24 as a human to try to divert product. Pharmacists  
25 were able to modify those orders, but there was

1 substances, do you understand how an order was placed  
2 at a particular pharmacy location at a store to a  
3 distribution center?

4 MS. McENROE: Objection to form.

5 THE WITNESS: My understanding is that for all  
6 pharmacy products, it was a computerized ordering  
7 system. They created an order based on the demand  
8 for that item and the on-hand balance in -- in the  
9 store; and the demand obviously is a function of  
10 the sales or the -- and the use -- in the instance  
11 of a pharmaceutical product, of its consumption  
12 when filling scripts.

13 So it was a computerized algorithm that took  
14 into account the on-hand balance and the rate of  
15 sale for that product to calculate an efficient  
16 order quantity.

17 BY MR. PIFKO:

18 Q. Okay. So there's a computer system at a  
19 particular pharmacy location in the store. Yes?

20 A. Well, there's --

21 MS. McENROE: Objection to form.

22 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. There's a mainframe  
23 that actually -- you know, the computer was not --  
24 did not reside at a -- at an individual store,  
25 so --

1 identification.)

2 BY MR. PIFKO:

3 Q. For the record, Exhibit 2 is a multipage  
4 E-mail, Bates labeled Rite\_Aid\_OMDL\_0038075 to 77.

5 Take a moment to review that, and let me know when  
6 you're done.

7 A. Okay. Okay.

8 Q. All right. So this -- have you seen this  
9 before?

10 A. I have.

11 Q. When was the last time you saw this?

12 A. Yesterday.

13 Q. And before seeing it yesterday, when was the  
14 last time you saw it?

15 A. 2013.

16 Q. All right. The subject line of this series of  
17 E-mails is Suspicious Order Monitoring Project.

18 Actually, it says 5046 - Suspicious Order Monitoring  
19 Project. Do you see that?

20 A. I do.

21 Q. What is the Suspicious Order Monitoring  
22 Project?

23 A. It was a project that was conceptualized to --  
24 from the distribution center's perspective to replace  
25 the manual activities that I mentioned to you, whereby

1       we used -- we had a threshold and adjusted orders down  
2       if they exceeded that threshold and then went through a  
3       series of manual steps to record that action and report  
4       it back to the corporate office.

5                  It also included -- the -- the project that  
6       was envisioned would have also included -- you know,  
7       there's some reporting and monitoring activities that  
8       took place in our loss prevention department that would  
9       have been -- that were done as a separate -- you know,  
10      in a separate process.

11                 So it would have folded all of those processes  
12      together so there would have been one place that  
13      managed this, all of this activity and the reporting of  
14      it; but from our perspective, the key to it was that it  
15      was going to automate what was then a manual process.

16               Q.     So at the second -- so beginning on the second  
17      page here -- well, there's an E-mail from you to  
18      Chris Belli dated June 12th, 2013.  Do you see that?

19               A.     I do.

20               Q.     It says, Chris - Per our conversation, and  
21      then you're forwarding something from Marcia.  Do you  
22      see that?

23               A.     Yeah.

24               Q.     Who's Marcia, do you know?

25               A.     She was in our IT department, so she was